

**THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA  
ASHEVILLE DIVISION  
CRIMINAL CASE NO. 1:06-cr-00016-MR**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, )

**Plaintiff,** )

**VS.**

**STERLING D. SHEPPARD,**

**Defendant.** )

## ORDER

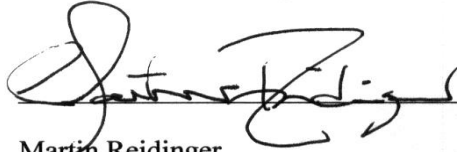
**THIS MATTER** is before the Court on the Government's Motion to Destroy Evidence [Doc. 41].

The Government seeks permission to destroy the evidence in the above-referenced case, specifically, the drug paraphernalia and/or drugs involved in violation number 3 and currently in the custody of the Office of Probation. For the reasons stated therein, and for cause shown, the Government's Motion is granted.

**IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED** that the Government's Motion to Destroy Evidence [Doc. 41] is **GRANTED**.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

Signed: October 4, 2013

  
Martin Reidinger  
United States District Judge

